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SUBJECT: REPLY TO FOREIGN MINISTER OHIRA

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO FOREIGN
MINISTER OHIRA:

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR MR. FOREIGN MINISTER:

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE
CONVEYING THE SYMPATHY OF THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT
OF JAPAN TO THE VICTIMS OF THE TORNADO DISASTERS WHICH
RECENTLY STRUCK OUR COUNTRY. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE
THIS EXPRESSION OF YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND CONCERN.

BEST REGARDS,

2. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF
FOREIGN MINISTER OHIRA'S LETTER TO THE SECRETARY:

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BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. SECRETARY, WE WERE GREATLY

SURPRISED TO LEARN THAT TORNADOS OF THE LARGEST SCALE

IN SEVERAL DECADES STRUCK THE SOUTHERN AND MIDWESTERN
STATES, CAUSING LOSS OF A LARGE NUMBER OF HUMAN
LIVES AS WELL AS A GREAT DEAL OF DAMAGE IN THE AREA.
ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN,
I WISH TO EXPRESS DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO ALL THE
PEOPLE WHO HAVE SUFFERED PERSONAL LOSSES AND DAMAGE
AT THIS TIME. SINCERELY YOURS, MASAYOSHI OHIRA,
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF JAPAN. END TEXT.

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